



Our Motto is:

'To be the best 'me' I can be.

Our Vision

Through a welcoming, inclusive environment and immersive curriculum, we empower all children to be compassionate individuals and resilient, confident learners who strive for success.

Our School Values:

- Unity**
- Integrity**
- Courage**
- Curiosity**
- Excellence**






What a busy and fantastic half term we have had so far! The children have had some lovely experiences so far including a bake off, a Roald Dahl day and hooks and trips have taken place to launch their challenge packs and get them enthusiastic for their learning. It has been lovely to see children enjoying school and talking about their learning so positively.

With a new school year, changes come and visions change. Your children may have come home talking about our new values. As 10 schools within Victoria Academies Trust, we spent time as leaders evaluating our vision and why we do what we do. We decided that as FIDES was created 10 years ago, it needed refreshing and have decided on some new values as shown below.

Our Values

Our values are important to us and guide our behaviours, our relationships and the way we work together. They define how we want to be.

These values of **Unity, Integrity, Courage, Curiosity and Excellence**, along with our commitment to strong ethical leadership ensure that we build a positive and powerful legacy to be proud of.

 Unity	<p>We know that by working together, we are stronger than working alone. We work together as a family, united in our shared responsibility to achieve our mission.</p>
 Integrity	<p>We show integrity by being honest, truthful, and transparent; always doing what we believe is right and true. We show kindness and respect by treating others with dignity, empathy, and understanding.</p>
 Courage	<p>We show courage by being ambitious, challenging ourselves and others to achieve more. We take on challenges with enthusiasm, determination, and resilience, learning from failures.</p>
 Curiosity	<p>We show curiosity by having a passion to learn, explore, and discover new things and new ways of working. We are innovative and ambitious, always seeking to be even better.</p>
 Excellence	<p>We have a strong commitment to continuous improvement, a willingness to learn and a dedication to becoming the best we can be.</p>

The Rowley Park Bake Off – Looks Urgh, Tastes Good

We have held our annual bake off based on the works of Roald Dahl. The theme was Look Urgh but taste good - the children had a great time and came up with some really gruesome recipes for Mrs Beaumont, Mrs Smith and Mrs Luty to try. Our winners this year were Year 2 and Year 5 and individual winners for the best recipe and the best design.



Year 1's creation was a beard themed cake based on Mr Twit's beard from The Twits.

Year 2's was based on yucky trifle based George's Marvelous medicine.

Year 3's was a pelican based on The Giraffe, the Pelly and me.

Year 4's was a version of Bruce Bogtrotter's trotter based on Matilda.

Year 5 created a Witches hand with their Formula based on The Witches.

Year 6 was a pheasant to represent the story Danny the champion of the world.

Trips, Hooks, Challenge Packs.

Children have started their new challenge packs soon and trips/hooks have taken place.

Year 1 and 2 – Visited Blist's Hill



We went to Blist Hill at Ironbridge. That's in Telford. I liked it because it was inspiring. I like History. We got to see the old classrooms, that was my favourite bit because we got to write with a slate and chalk.

David

I thought it was really fun because there was a horse and we got to stroke it. I liked looking at the old house - it looked different and I liked getting to make a rainbow candle.

Evie

Year 3 and 4 –Samba band Music workshop



We had a visit from Art's Brazil Samba Band. They did a whole school assembly and then we got to play the Samba drums, the agogo and tambourines.

We enjoyed the music and the repeating rhythms.

Year 3 children.

Year 5 and 6 – Space Infinity – Leicester space Centre



At the Space Centre, I liked the real life rockets – it was massive. I also liked the planetarium – it felt like we were in space. I liked using our coding skills to programme a Mars rover. We found out facts that we didn't know which was cool.

Cain

I liked the planetarium, it was so interesting to find out things about space we didn't know like astronauts have to do exercise. I also liked the Mars rover workshop. We had to programme the rover and make estimates to say how far it would go.

Denisha.

Year 4 – Visit to St Austin's Catholic Church



I enjoyed the statues and the stained glass windows because they showed the story of Jesus. Father Michael was very nice and showed us around the church.

Isobel

When we visited the church, we had a tour and it was beautiful and very interesting. It was interesting when he explained what people do at the church and how they pray. I learned that we should be respectful in a church.

Chris

As October is walk to school month, Year 5 have been writing persuasive letters and sharing their views on the issue.

Dear Parents and Carers,

May I introduce myself. I am an enthusiastic, determined pupil at Rowley Park Primary Academy, trying to prove to other pupils and teachers that I am the right role model for everyone.

I wish to make you aware that currently, not enough parents are walking their children to school. In addition to this, parking in the street has significantly increase because of parents driving their children to school which is dangerous for younger children. This has also caused problems for children aged between of 5-11 years old, who suffer with asthma problems and is more likely to lead to in-active adults.

Recent data indicates that only 25% of children actually complete their 60- minute daily exercise that all children should complete every day. I find that very disappointing to be honest. Absurdly, only 40% of parents walk their children to school. If you live far away then that is understandable, but I believe more parents should start walking their kids to school.

The benefits of walking your child or children are better bonding time, better physical health, better sleep and children that arrive at school ready to learn..

If you should decide to walk to school with your child, I'm sure you won't regret it.

Yours Sincerely

Joseph. Year 5

Dear parents and carers,

May I introduce myself. I am a smart, successful pupil at Rowley Park Primary Academy. I aspire to change something I have dreamed about for years.

Generally, people can't walk to school because they live a far distance away. However, there are numerous parents who live within walking distance of school, that chose to drive over walking. This causes pollution, lots of traffic and no places for staff to park.

Recent data shows that over 52% of parents chose to drive their children to school. Did you know that people who walk their children to school are more focused and motivated than people that drive because of the exercise they have done? Despite the fact that it rains, we can still enjoy the walk and we have coats for a reason.

Why not walk your children to school? It won't hurt! Plus, they'll even develop stronger bones, be fitter and you'll save money on fuel and gas!

Join us to help the environment by walking to school

Yours sincerely

Ruby

Year 5

If you do drive please remember to park safely and don't block people's driveways, be respectful of our residents and never drive upon the pavement.

